



# Nobody Taught Me This in Library School!

Adapting to the New Normal

# Welcome to Marine Corps Base Hawaii!

- COVID-19 Restrictions on MCBH
  - Governed by Health Protection Condition (HPCON)
  - Cloth face coverings required in all facilities, no exceptions





# How it was....

- Biweekly story times with 45-60 participants
- Family craft programs with 50-100 participants
- Around 30 programs a month
- Separate well-used quiet study areas and family play areas



# The Closing

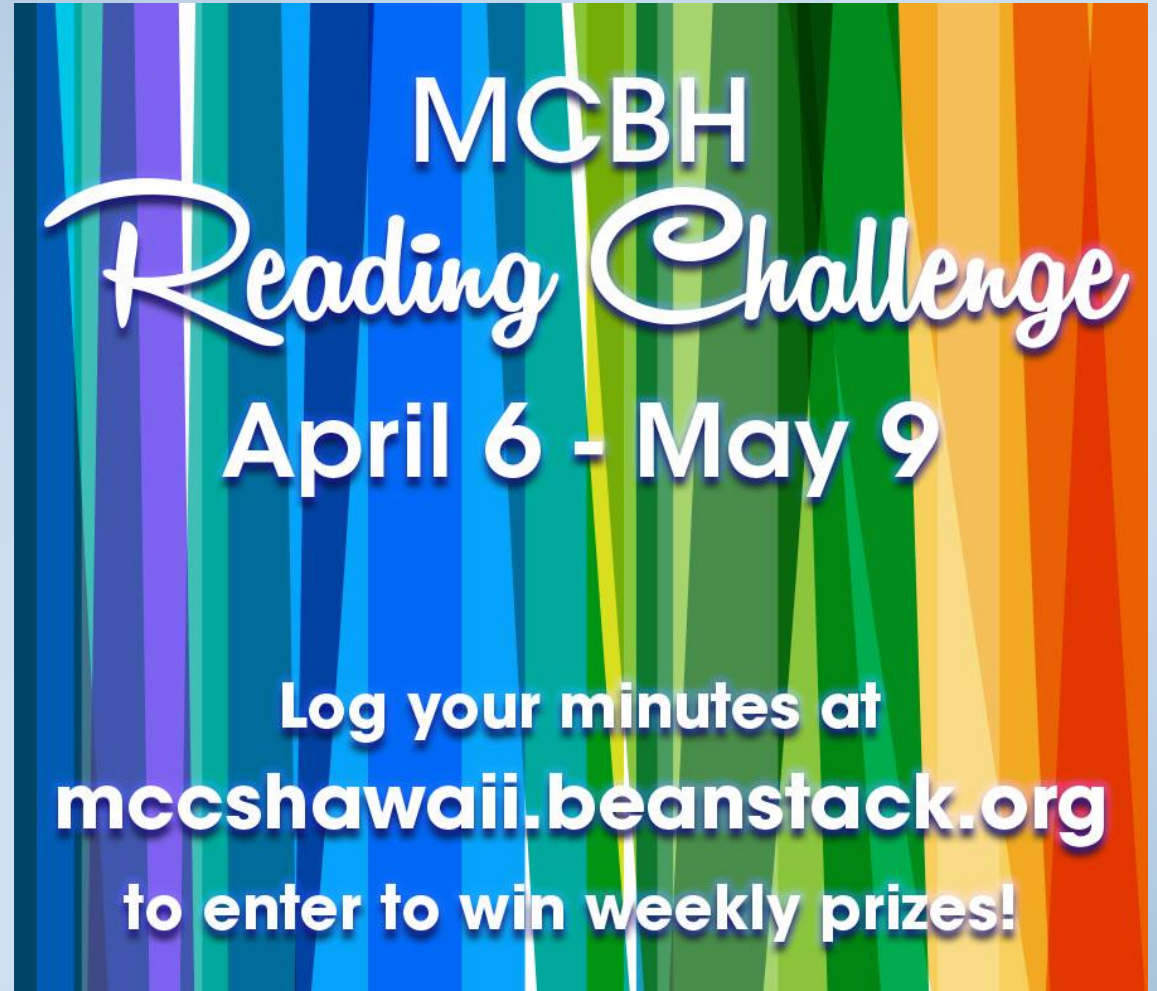
- Library closed on March 19
- Initial support services offered:
  - Gave books, magazines, and movies to the isolation facility
  - Loaned laptops to teleworking MCCS staff
  - Extended loans indefinitely and closed book returns





# Phase 1: Closed

- Quarantine reading program
- Facebook story times
- Lots of phone and email support
- Weekly Zoom staff meetings
- Database offerings and eligibility expanded
- Made a multi-phased plan for reopening with benchmarks



# Phase 2: Grab and Go

- Opened on May 22 for “Grab and Go”
- Place holds online, via email, or over the phone
- Pick up holds during open hours
- Return items to the external book drop, quarantined for 7 days
- Not as busy as we had expected





# Phase 3: Open doors

- Doors open on June 8
- Facility limit: 25
- No seating, no toys, no computers
- Holds pickup still an option
- Close at 4:00 to clean





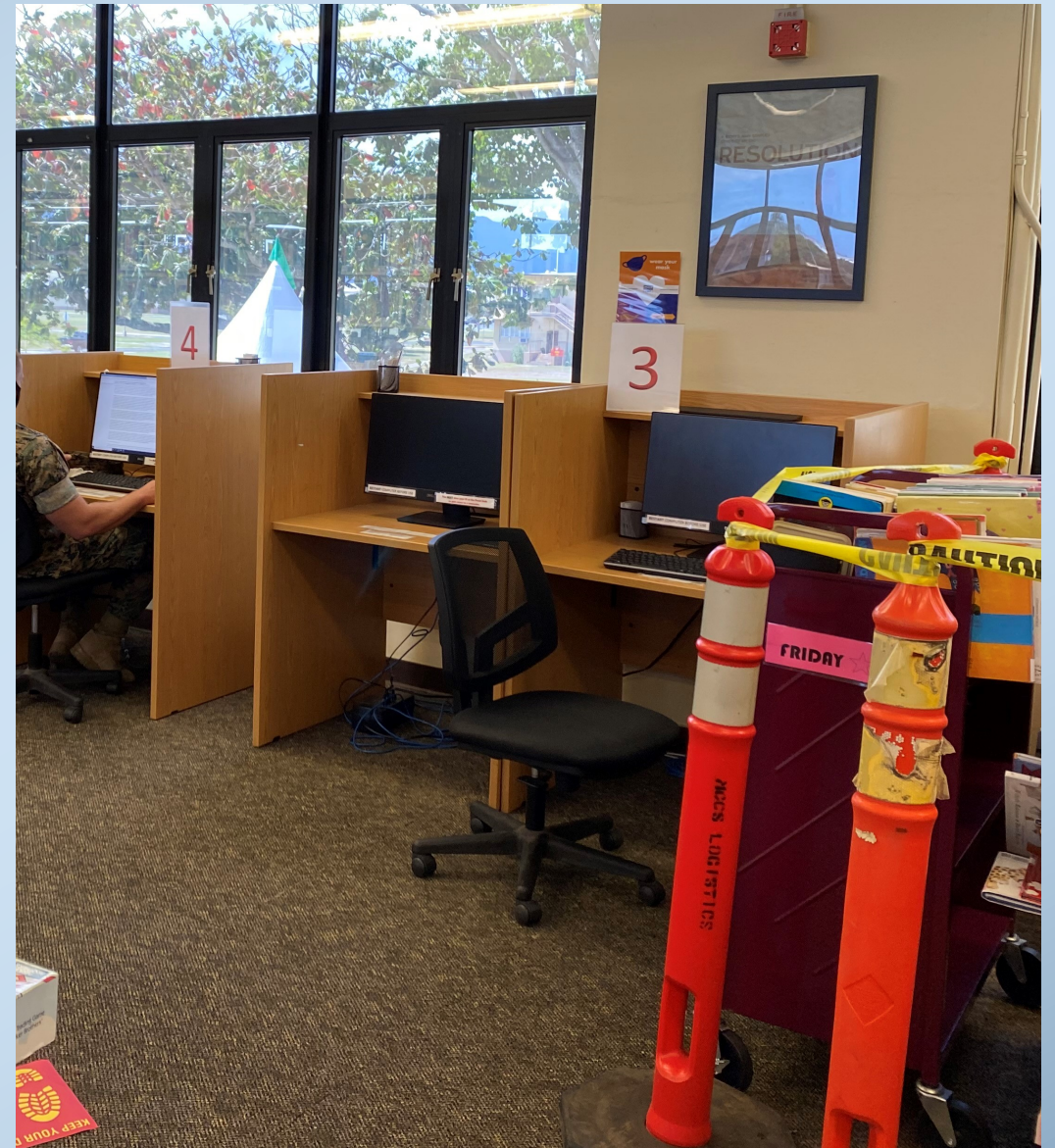
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hang out!!





# Phase 4: Computers

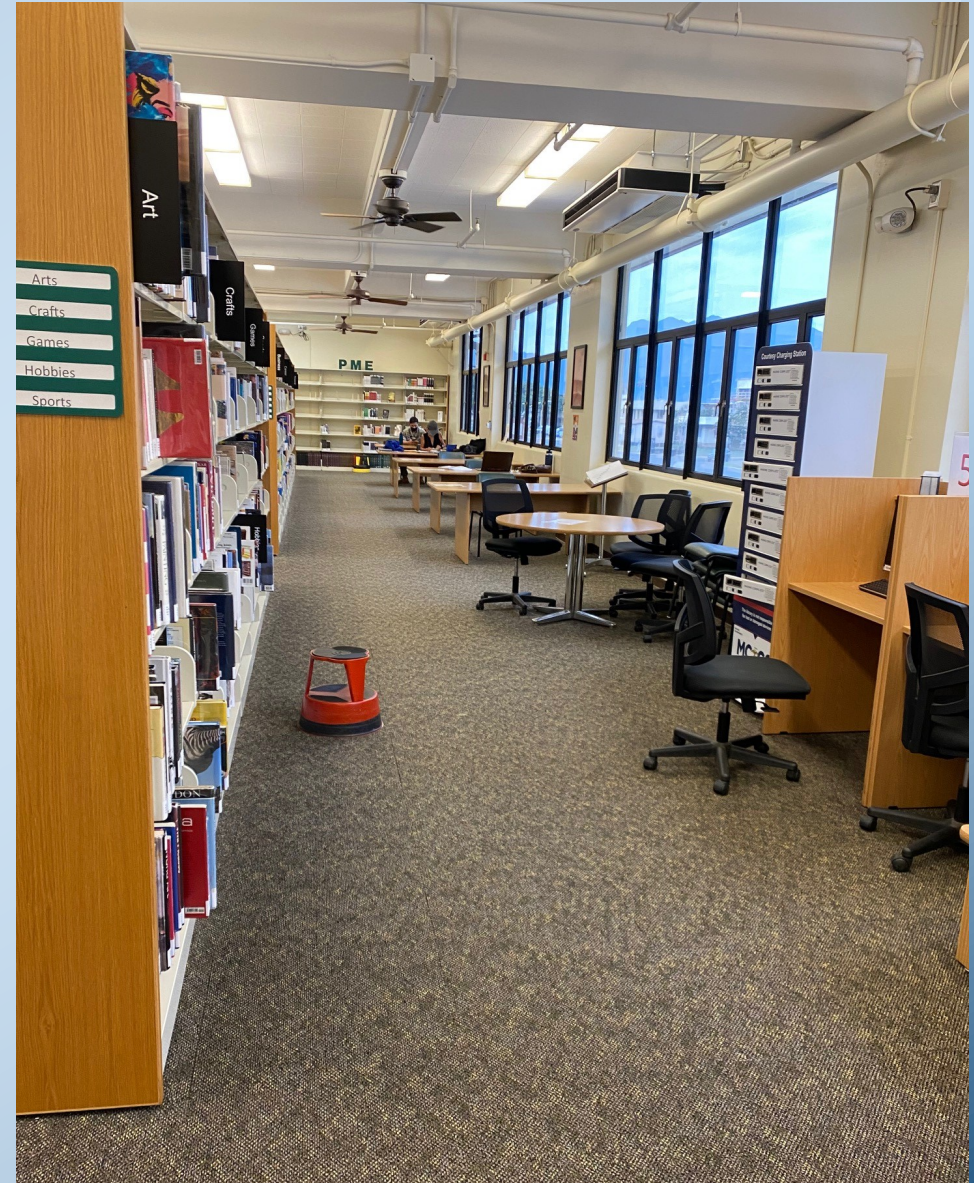
- Significantly increased the library's door traffic
- 5 of the 12 desktops are available, much more difficult to check them out
- Expect patrons to sanitize their work stations (we give them a wet wipe)
- No copies, no fax, no scanning.





# Some seating comes back

- Added limited seating in adult area for laptops and studying
- Had to remove seating that was out of line-of-sight





# Additional services

- Most programs cancelled, wanted to give them something
- Fall and winter reading programs
- Book bundles
- Mobile Makerspace

## Makerspace *at your library*

Did you know we now check out...

<u>S.T.E.M. ITEMS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Arduino Kit</li><li>➤ Raspberry Pi Kit</li><li>➤ Makey Makey Kit</li><li>➤ Little Bits Kit</li><li>➤ Squishy Circuit Kit</li><li>➤ Finch Robot Kit</li><li>➤ Osmo Gaming Kit</li><li>➤ Telescope Kit</li><li>➤ Cubelet Robotic Bricks</li><li>➤ Wonder Workshop Dash &amp; Dot Robots</li><li>➤ AmScope Microscope</li><li>➤ Hiking backpack set</li></ul>	<u>ELECTRONICS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ GoPros</li><li>➤ DSLR Camera</li><li>➤ Cube Mobile Projector</li><li>➤ Nooks</li><li>➤ TI-83 Scientific Calculators</li><li>➤ Launch Pads</li><li>➤ Scotch Thermal Laminator</li><li>➤ 3D Scanner</li></ul> <u>POWER TOOLS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Stanley Home Owners Tool Kit</li><li>➤ Craftsman Mechanics Tool Kit</li><li>➤ Tabiger Soldering Iron Kit</li><li>➤ Engraver Pen</li><li>➤ Rotary Tool</li></ul>	<u>CRAFTY ITEMS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Brother Sewing Machine Kit</li><li>➤ Cake Pans</li><li>➤ Cookie Cutters</li><li>➤ Cake Decorating Tips</li><li>➤ Cake Decorating Tutorials</li><li>➤ Jewelry Making Kit</li><li>➤ Crochet Hooks Set</li><li>➤ Knitting Needles</li><li>➤ Knitting Looms</li><li>➤ Lei Needles</li><li>➤ Tracing stencils</li></ul> <u>MUSICAL ITEMS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Ukulele Kit</li><li>➤ Guitar Kit</li><li>➤ Tabletop Drum Machine</li><li>➤ Karaoke Microphone</li><li>➤ Akai Keyboard and Pad Controller</li></ul>
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For use inside the library we have...


- iPads
- Laptops
- Intuos Drawing Tablets

**MARINE & Family Libraries**

We also have a 3D printer! Send in a request and we'll print for free!

# Book Bundles

- Adults
- Picture books
- Beginning readers
- Children's nonfiction
- Children's chapter books
- Young adult



Book Bundle Pickup

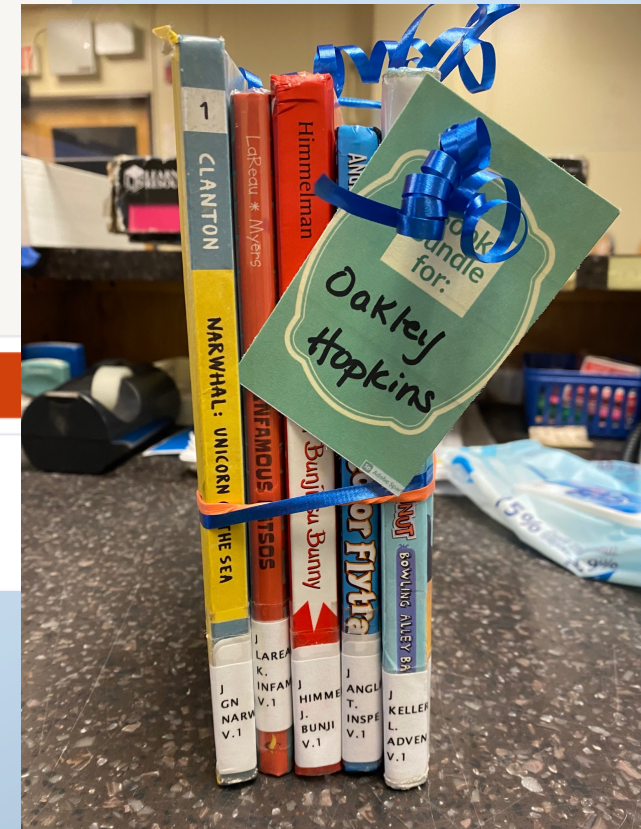
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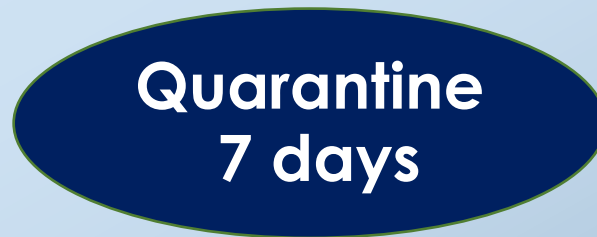
Request a book bundle from the library! Tell us a little about what you're looking for, and staff will select up to five books for you.





# Lessons learned

- Planning is helpful, but flexibility is key



# No one is okay

- Expect some loss
- Approach all interactions with even more patience and some compassion
- Library staff need love





# Narrow our focus

- What do they really need from us?
  - Support distance learning
  - Help with boredom/anxiety, particularly during quarantine periods



# Also....

- Library users care a lot about returning their books.
- Library technology was—and is—largely unable to handle a pandemic
- It's impossible to convince everyone that we're open.





# Programming

New Programming  
Librarian full of  
ideas!



Summer Reading Program  
June 6-July 18, 2020

**SIGN UP AT**  
MCCSHAWAII.BEANSTACK.ORG

- LOG MINUTES YOU READ TO WIN PRIZES!
- TAKE VIRTUAL CHALLENGES
- EARN ONLINE **BADGES**
- FUN! FUN! FUN!

Check  
facebook.com/  
MCBHLlibrary  
for  
upcoming  
events!

**MCCS**  
HAWAII

Dig Deeper:  
Read,  
Investigate,  
Discover.

The graphic features two illustrations. The top one shows a young girl with dark hair in a bun, wearing a pink dress with white polka dots, sitting on a yellow mound and reading a large book. The bottom one shows a boy in a striped shirt digging with a shovel in a colorful, abstract landscape. The text 'Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover.' is written in a playful, handwritten style over the bottom illustration.



# Obstacles

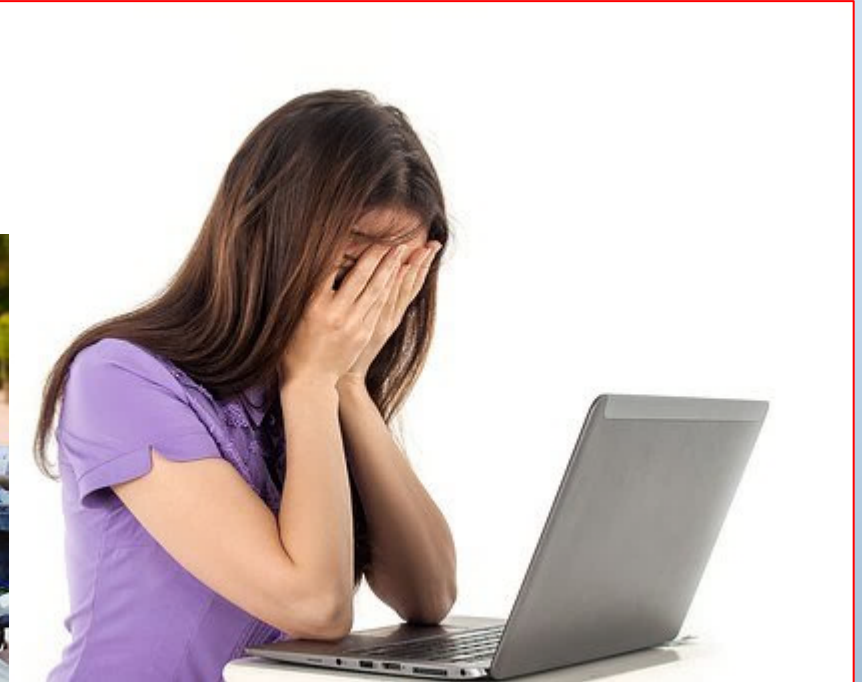


$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Teachers} \\ \text{figuring out} \\ \text{kinks of virtual} \\ \text{teaching} \end{array} \right) + \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Families} \\ \text{scrambling to} \\ \text{finish school year} \end{array} \right) \text{ PCS Season} =$$



# Result

## A Hot Mess!



# How We Advertised...

The Eventbrite logo consists of the word "eventbrite" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, centered within a solid orange rectangular background.

eventbrite

- Flyers/bookmarks
- Shared on department Facebook pages

The Facebook logo features the word "facebook" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, centered within a solid blue rectangular background.

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# Our Epic Fails...

Join the Summer Reading Book Parade!  
Saturday, June 6th

Make a banner, poster, or display  
of your favorite book. Take a  
walk and see what your neighbors  
are reading!



Unicorn's Virtual Birthday Party!  
June 24th @ 1pm  
Register @ [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

PUT ON YOUR  
FANCY CLOTHES  
AND JOIN  
THE CELEBRATION  
WITH STORIES  
AND SONGS!



# Moderately Successful

*Socially Distanced Reader's Theater  
for ages 8-11*



## THE LEGEND OF HOW HAWAII'S BIRDS APPEARED



A SUMMER READING PRODUCTION



WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH 1PM

IN THE COURTYARD OF BLDG. 219

REGISTER AT [MCBHLIBRARY.EVENTBRITE.COM](https://www.mcbhllibrary.eventbrite.com)



## MCBH Library's Children's Creative Writing Contest

- Open to all 3rd through 6th graders.
- Must be at least 500 words double spaced. Typed or on notebook paper. No more than 1500 words.
- Must include first and last name, phone number and grade level.
- Submissions can be sent to [MCB-HAWAII@BASELIBRARY@USMC-MCCS.ORG](mailto:MCB-HAWAII@BASELIBRARY@USMC-MCCS.ORG) or handed in at the front desk by 10 A.M. September 7th.
- Winners will be announced by September 10th for each grade level and will get to choose from a selection of prizes.


Pick one of the topics below and write a short story of about 500 words.

- You become a character in your favorite video game and...
- Your grandma comes to town and brings an unexpected surprise...
- You are an astronaut and you find something strange on the moon.
- An alien comes to Earth and...
- At the beach you find a special seashell.



# Finally... Programs That Worked!

Weekly Take and Make Kits  
for SRP...

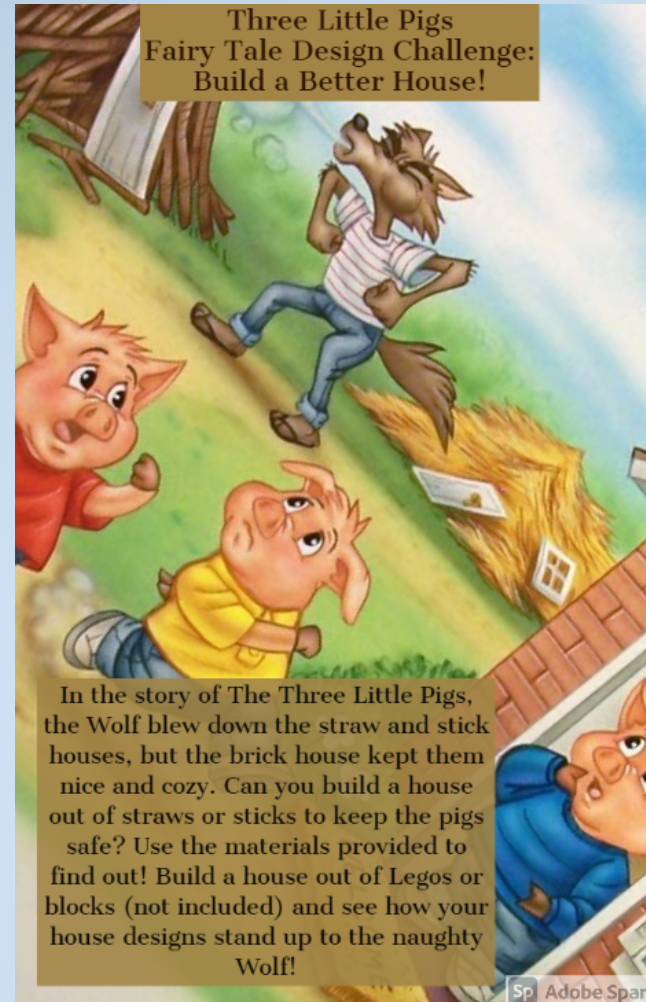


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MAKE WEEK  
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SCIENCE WITH  
SUNPRINT PAPER**

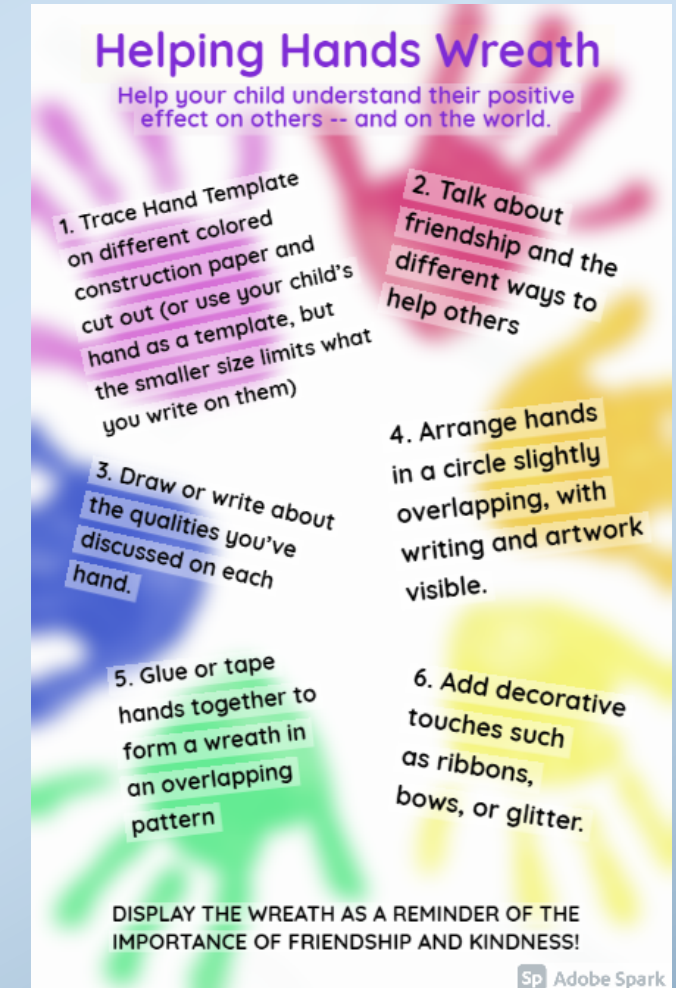
**\*\*Sunprint paper protected in cardboard sheath. Please don't open until ready to use.**

# ...and are still working

## Monthly Take and Make Kits



September



November



# Mini Story Time with Auntie Rowena



**MCBH Library** Posted a Video

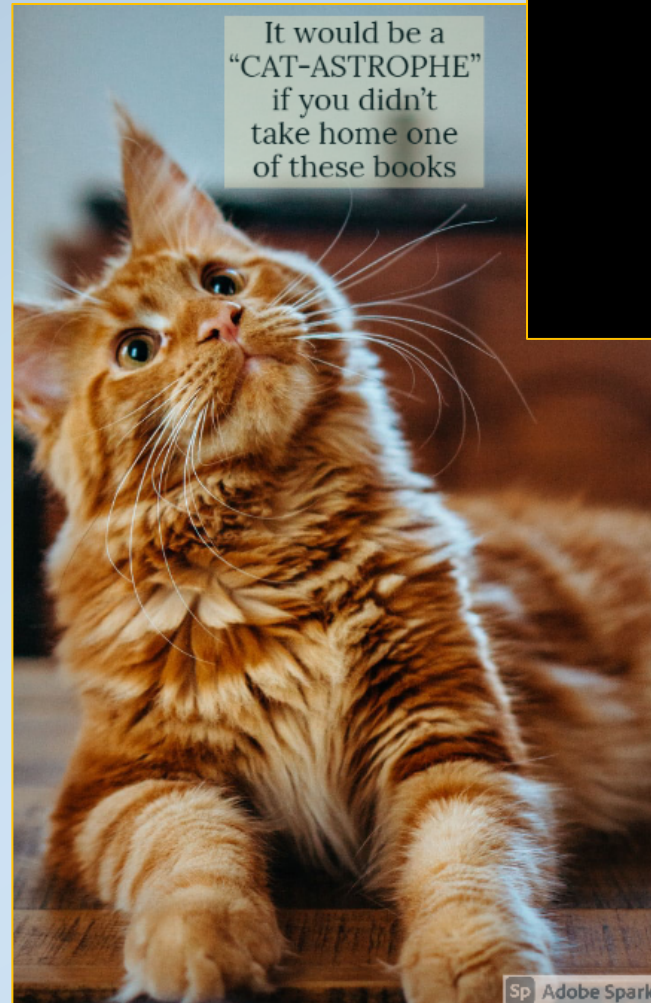
Published about a month ago

## Mini Story Time with Auntie Rowena

Join us in a wokka-'round-the-blocka in today's story: How Do You Wokka-Wokka by Elizabeth...

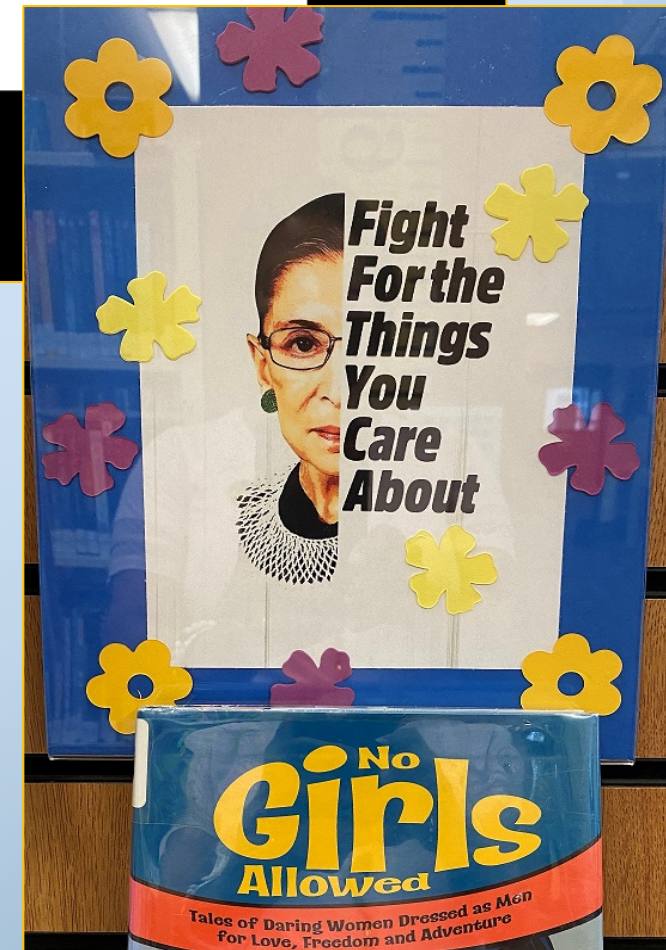


# Book Displays



**"Never, ever be afraid to make some noise and get in good trouble, necessary trouble."**

Rep. John Lewis (1940-2020)





## HALLOWEEN SCAVENGER HUNT

Find these items in the Kids Area.  
Check them off this sheet.  
Bring sheet to Librarian and get a prize!

1. skeleton near graphic novels
2. jack-o-lantern at checkout desk
3. witch peeking up over a haunted house
4. ghost near Paranormal section
5. fall leaves near windows
6. skull near Spanish books
7. green slime on bookshelves



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# Passive Programming



## HARRY POTTER

Have some time to spare on Platform 9 3/4?  
Here are some words you might think of while you wait.  
How many can you find?

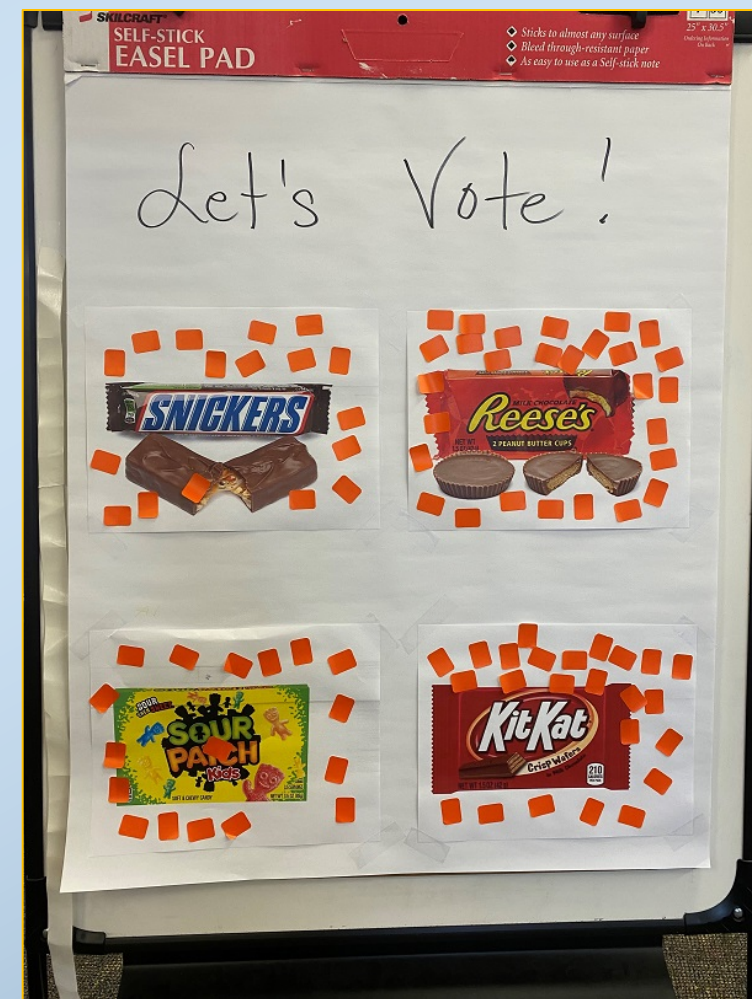
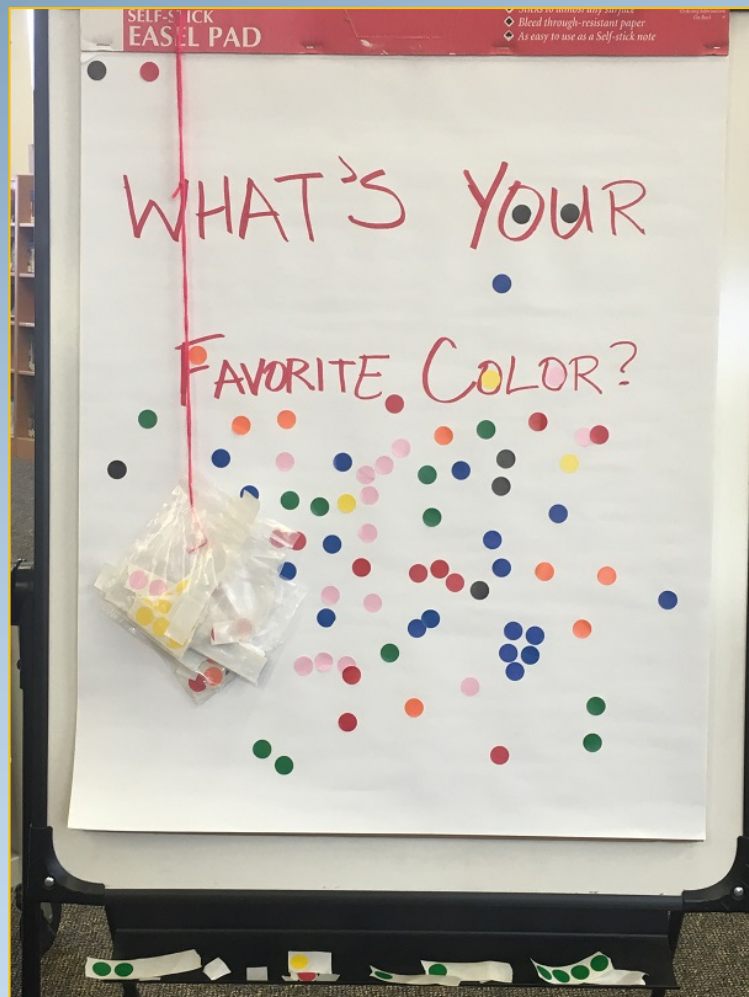
### WORD LIST

HOGWARTS	QUIDDITCH
DUMBLEDORE	HAGRID
WIZARD	MALFOY
SLYTHERIN	DURSLEY
HUFFLEPUFF	chocolate FROG
RAVENCLAW	AZKABAN
GRYFFINDOR	VOLDEMORT
WEASLEY	SNAPE

W X B A Z K A B A N K H S S  
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# Interactive Displays





# More staff means more time for displays





# And More Virtual Programs



**The Office Trivia Night**

**Thursday  
December 3  
6pm**

Join us online for a virtual trivia night!

email [tiffany.evans@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:tiffany.evans@usmc-mccs.org) to register!

**MCCS** HAWAII **MARINE & Family** Library Program





# What Did We Learn?

- Our patrons like what we do, but need more incentive to participate?
- Not necessary to cap registrations since not all those who register will show
- Find more targeted avenues for promotion
- We miss doing outreach
- Mistakes will be made. Get over it.
- Teens like their book club!

# What's next?

JOIN US FOR

# Storytime

Starting Jan. 12, 2021  
Tuesdays and Thursdays  
9am

Until we can meet in person, we'll be live on Facebook with stories, songs, and rhymes!

All ages and families welcome!

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## Volunteer Opportunity

Help the Base Library clean up the courtyard garden!

December 5, 1000-1600  
Email [tiffany.evans@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:tiffany.evans@usmc-mccs.org) for more info and to volunteer



# Teen Book Club



Tuesday, October 20th  
5:00-6:00  
ages 13-17  
Virtual Meeting  
Invitations will be emailed upon sign up

Paperback copies for the first 10 registrants



Questions?

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[Rowena.Mangohig@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:Rowena.Mangohig@usmc-mccs.org)